

REMARKS

The present amendment is in response to the Office Action dated April 14, 2008. Claims 22-42 are now present in this case. Claims 1-21 are canceled. New claims 22-42 have been added.

The Examiner will kindly note that representation in this matter has been transferred to another attorney. A revocation/substitute power of attorney will be filed in the near future.

Objections and Rejections from the latest Office Action

The applicant has cancelled all previous claims. Consequently, all objections and rejections of these canceled claims that were made in the Office Action are rendered moot.

New Claims

The applicants believe the new claims are patentable over the references cited in the Office Action. The Office Action cited 3GPP TS 23.060 V3.15.0 (2003-06) (hereinafter referred to as "3GPP'99"), U.S. Publication No. 2002/0061756 A1 to Bleckert et al., U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0137532 A1 to Landais et al, and U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0110116 A1 to Aaltonen. The references do not teach or suggest at least one element recited in each of independent claims 22, 32, and 39. Specifically, these references do not teach or suggest, alone or in combination, a method or structure for "coordinating the operational modes of a General Packet Radio Service (GPRS) network" as recited in these claims.

The 3GPP'99 reference teaches network operational modes and how pages are forwarded within each mode, but does not teach a method or structure for coordinating operational modes of the GPRS network. (3GPP'99, pg 42). Bleckert teaches a method for sending pages within Mode 1 but does not teach a method or structure for coordinating operational modes of the GPRS network. (Bleckert, paragraph [0042]). Landais teaches a method for sending pages within Mode 1 but does not teach a method or structure for coordinating operational modes of the GPRS network. (Landais, paragraph [0034]). Aaltonen teaches that if short message service

transmission fails, components of the mobile subscriber (MS) suspend the GPRS service for that MS, but does not teach a method or structure for coordinating operational modes of the GPRS network. (Aaltonen, paragraph [0018]). For at least these reasons, the applicant believes claims 22, 32, and 39 are patentable over the cited art. The applicant believes dependent claims 23-31, 33-38 and 40-42 are allowable in view of the fact that they depend claims 22, 32, and 39, respectively, and further in view of the recitation in claims 23-31, 33-38 and 40-42.

Conclusion

In view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the subject application and its allowance are kindly requested. The applicant has made a good faith effort to place all claims in condition for allowance. If questions remain regarding the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (206) 757-8203.

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